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SUBJ: RTG REQUEST INFORMATION TO ASSIST IN RESOLVING SOME OF ITS
TRAFFIC PROBLEMS IN BANGKOK

1. LT. COL. CHANIN CHOOJITAROM, MEMBER OF THE NATIONAL POLICY
COUNCIL COMMITTEE FOR MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS, RTG, AND TWO OF
HIS COLLEAGUES, CALLED ON EMBASSY TO REQUEST ASSISTANCE IN OBTAIN-
ING INFORMATION NEEDED IN THEIR PLANNING FOR TRAFFIC CONTROL IN
BANGKOK.

2. BANGKOK IS A CITY OF 4.4 MILLION PEOPLE WITH REGISTERED MOTOR
VEHICLES NUMBERING OVER 600,000 (GROWING AT ABOUT 20 PER CENT
ANNUALLY) AND ONLY 900 KMS. OF ROADS. THE TRAFFIC CONDITIONS OF
BANGKOK WERE THE SUBJECT OF A STUDY CONDUCTED BY F.H. KOCKS KG
AND RHEIN-RUHR-INA-GMBH., GERMAN CONSULTING ENGINEERS IN 1975 AND
NONE OF ITS RECOMMENDATIONS HAVE BEEN IMPLEMENTED THUS FAR.

3. RTG IS INTERESTED IN OBTAINING COPIES OF STUDIES OF U.S. CITIES
THAT ARE COMPARABLE IN SIZE AND NUMBER OF AUTOS WITH BANGKOK.
SHOULD SUCH STUDIES BE UNAVAILABLE, RTG WOULD WELCOME ANY
INFORMATION RELATED TO PROBLEMS AND SOLUTIONS EXPERIENCED BY U.S.
MUNICIPALITIES THAT ARE SIMILAR TO THOSE IN BANGKOK. OF PARTICULAR
INTEREST ARE THE ROLES RAPID TRANSIT SYSTEMS HAVE PLAYED IN ALLEVI-
TING TRAFFIC CONGESTION.

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4. RTG IS PREPARED TO SEND A TEAM TO VISIT THE U.S. CITY OFFICIALS
CONVERSANT IN VEHICULAR TRAFFIC PROBLEMS. CAN DOT ASSIST IN PRO-
GRAMMING SUCH A VISIT?
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